AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:

a liquid crystal panel;

a backlight assembly for radiating a light onto the liquid crystal panel, said backlight assembly having a light source;

optical sheets on the backlight assembly;

a panel guide provided between the backlight assembly and the liquid crystal panel to support the liquid crystal panel; and

a pad provided between the panel guide and the backlight assembly and fully offset from the light source and maintaining a distance between the panel guide and the backlight assembly.

2. (Original) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the pad is provided between a light guide included in the backlight assembly and the panel guide.

3. (Original) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the pad is a silicon pad provided between the light guide and the panel guide.

4. (Original) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 2, wherein the pad is a resin coated between the light guide and the panel guide.

5. (Original) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 1, further comprising:

a main frame to which the backlight assembly is secured;

a printed circuit board installed under the main frame;

a tape carrier package mounted with drive integrated circuits for driving the liquid crystal panel and installed between the liquid crystal panel and the printed circuit board;

a top case for surrounding the upper edge of the liquid crystal panel and the side of the main frame; and

a bottom case installed under the printed circuit board and having one side assembled in such a manner to overlap with the top case.

6. (Original) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 5, further comprising:

a second silicon pad provided between the main frame and the printed circuit board to maintain a distance between the main frame and the printed circuit board; and

a third silicon pad provided between the printed circuit board and the bottom case to maintain a distance between the printed circuit board and the bottom case.

7. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:

a main frame;

a liquid crystal panel;

a backlight assembly arranged with the main frame for radiating light onto the liquid crystal panel, comprising:

a lamp;

a lamp housing; and

a light guide;

optical sheets:

a panel guide provided between the backlight assembly and the liquid crystal panel for supporting the liquid crystal panel, wherein the panel guide and the main frame enclose a portion of the backlight assembly; and

a first pad provided between the panel guide and the light guide separating the liquid crystal panel and the optical sheets from the lamp, said pad fully overlapping the light guide.

8. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display of claim 7, further comprising:

a printed circuit board under the main frame;

a top case arranged on the liquid crystal panel and connected to a bottom case;

a tape carrier package for connecting the printed circuit board to the liquid crystal display;

a second pad between the main frame and the printed circuit board for fixing the distance between the main frame and the printed circuit board; and

a third pad between the printed circuit board and the bottom case for fixing the distance between the bottom case and the printed circuit board.

9. (Original) The liquid crystal display of claim 8, wherein the tape carrier package is arranged between the printed circuit board and the third pad.

10. (Original) The liquid crystal display of claim 9, wherein the first pad, the second pad, and third pad include silicon.

11. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display of claim 6, wherein the tape carrier package is arranged between the printed circuit board and the third silicon pad.

12. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:

a liquid crystal panel;

a backlight assembly for radiating a light onto the liquid crystal panel, said backlight assembly having a light source;

optical sheets on the backlight assembly;

a panel guide provided between the backlight assembly and the liquid crystal panel to support the liquid crystal panel;

a pad provided between the panel guide and the backlight assembly fully offset from the light source, said pad maintaining a distance between the panel guide and the backlight assembly,

wherein said panel guide has a depression therein for receiving the pad.

13. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the pad is provided between a light guide included in the backlight assembly and the panel guide.

14. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the pad is a silicon pad provided.

15. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 12, wherein the pad is a resin.

16. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 12, further comprising:

a main frame to which the backlight assembly is secured;

a printed circuit board installed under the main frame;

a tape carrier package mounted with drive integrated circuits for driving the liquid crystal panel and installed between the liquid crystal panel and the printed circuit board;

a top case for surrounding the upper edge of the liquid crystal panel and the side of the main frame; and

a bottom case installed under the printed circuit board and having one side assembled in such a manner to overlap with the top case.

17. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 16, further comprising:

a second silicon pad provided between the main frame and the printed circuit board to maintain a distance between the main frame and the printed circuit board; and

a third silicon pad provided between the printed circuit board and the bottom case to maintain a distance between the printed circuit board and the bottom case.

18. (Previously Presented) The liquid crystal display device as claimed in claim 12, wherein said distance between the panel guide and the backlight assembly is approximately 0.4 mm.